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Political Prisoner in Hospital

Clément Joseph Charles was taken from the National Penitentiary in Port-au-Prince to Haiti's General Hospital. The former Duvalier banker has been jailed since 1971 "for political reasons." No proper trial was held.

Mr. Charles is suffering from an acute liver infection and the physicians attending him have warned that he will die unless he's allowed to travel abroad for special treatment.

This isn't the first time Mr. Charles was taken from his cell to a hospital. Last year he was rushed to Haiti's military hospital for treatment of the same disease.

Mrs. Charles has been allowed to visit her husband.

This is the first time the Duvalier regime has acted half humanely with a political prisoner. It's been pointed out that Marie-Denise Duvalier Dominique, a friend of Mr. Charles, has often interceded for him.

• Army chief-of-staff Jean-Baptiste Hilaire will soon be replaced, say military sources in Port-au-Prince. His likely replacement? Col. Roger St. Albain.

On a lighter note, the General ran for cover on September 22 while there was a review on the Palace grounds to commemorate Duvalier's "election" in 1957. Accidentally the loaded automatic weapon of a militiaman went off. Many officials, General Hilaire among them, scrambled for protection. Jean-Claude, his mother and their body-guard General Gracia Jacques were trembling, but they kept standing, says a source that was standing close to them.

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COUNTRY HAITI

**SUBJECT FURTHER EFFORTS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF HAITI TO BRING ABOUT
RAPPROCHEMENT WITH HAITIAN EXILES**

1. ON APPROXIMATELY 20 MARCH 1972 LUCKNER CAMBRONNE, HAITIAN MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND NATIONAL DEFENSE, TELEPHONED FERMIN JOSEPH, AN OFFICIAL OF THE NEW YORK-BASED, HAITIAN EXILE NEWSPAPER "HAITI OBSERVATEUR," AND TOLD JOSEPH THAT HE WAS DISAPPOINTED AT THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT OF HAITI (GOH) STANCE TAKEN BY THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" IN GENERAL AND JOSEPH IN PARTICULAR IN THE 18 MARCH EDITION OF THE PAPER. CAMBRONNE STATED THAT HE HAD HOPED THAT HIS RECENT INVITATION TO ALL HAITIAN EXILES TO RETURN TO HAITI, COUPLED WITH HIS PRIVATE DISCUSSION

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WITH JOSEPH, WOULD HAVE GIVEN THE PAPER CAUSE TO RE-EXAMINE ITS POSITION VIS-A-VIS THE GOH.

2. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: THE SAME SOURCE REPORTED IN [REDACTED] THAT DURING A MEETING ON 16 MARCH 1972 BETWEEN THE TWO, CAMBRONNE TOLD JOSEPH THE GOH CONSIDERED THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" AND ITS SUPPORTERS TO BE THE ONLY OBSTACLE TO THE GOH'S PLANS TO REUNITE ALL HAITIANS IN AN EFFORT TO BUILD A NEW, PROGRESSIVE NATION. AS A FIRST STEP TO RAPPROCHEMENT, CAMBRONNE ASKED JOSEPH TO REALIGN HIMSELF WITH THE GOH AND RETURN TO HAITI. IF JOSEPH ACCEPTED, CAMERONNE SAID, THE GOH WOULD BE WILLING TO NAME HIM TO WHATEVER OFFICIAL POSITION HE DESIRED EITHER INSIDE HAITI OR ABROAD.)

3. JOSEPH REPLIED THAT BEFORE HE OR THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" COULD GIVE ANY THOUGHT TO SOFTENING THEIR POSITIONS ON THE GOH, THE GOH WOULD HAVE TO SHOW ITS GOOD INTENTIONS THROUGH DEEDS RATHER THAN NEREE PROMISES. CAMBRONNE THEN INVITED THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" TO SEND A TEAM OF REPORTERS TO HAITI TO SEE FOR THEMSELVES THE CHANGES WHICH WERE BEING BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE REGIME OF PRESIDENT JEAN-CLAUDE DUVALIER. BEFORE SUCH A TRIP COULD BE MADE, JOSEPH SAID, POLITICAL PRISONERS WOULD HAVE TO BE RELEASED. ALSO,

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THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" WOULD INSIST THAT ANY SUCH TEAM OF REPORTERS WOULD HAVE TO BE ACCCOMPANIED BY NEWSMEN FROM OTHER NATIONS WHO WOULD ACT AS GUARDS AGAINST ANY PRESSURE THE GOH MIGHT APPLY AGAINST THE HAITIAN REPORTERS.

4. JOSEPH ASKED CAMBRONNE WHETHER THE GOH INDEED INTENDED TO RELEASE SUCH POLITICAL PRISONERS AS HUBERT L E G R O S, CLEMARD JOSEPH C H A R L E S, AND COL. KESNER B L A I N AS CAMBRONNE HAD INTIMATED DURING HIS 15 MARCH PRESS CONFERENCE. TO THIS CAMBRONNE REPLIED THAT HE CONSIDERED LEGROS TO BE A VERY DANGEROUS MAN AND THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF EVER RELEASING HIM. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: LEGROS, A LAWYER AND SELF-PROCLAIMED COMMUNIST, WAS ARRESTED IN MAY 1970 AFTER HAVING BEEN SOUGHT BY HAITIAN AUTHORITIES FOR SEVERAL YEARS. CHARLES, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, AND BLAIN, FORMER COMMANDANT OF THE QUARTERMASTER CORPS, WERE ARRESTED IN APRIL 1970 FOR PLOTTING AGAINST THE GOH.)

5. CAMBRONNE REITERATED THAT HE BELIEVED THE "HAITI OBSERVATEUR" POSED THE NUMBER ONE THREAT TO THE GOH'S PLANS TO REUNITE ALL HAITIANS. CAMBRONNE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOH ALSO BELIEVED GEORGES R I G A U D, A LEADER OF THE HAITIAN

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RESISTANCE MOVEMENT IN MONTREAL, AND A PROFESSOR RENE SAINT-Louis, WHO IS ALSO LOCATED IN CANADA, TO BE IMPORTANT ENEMIES OF THE GOH.

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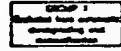
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DEST 17 MARCH 1971

COUNTRY : HAITI

SUBJECT : RESULTS OF THE INTERROGATION OF CLEMARD JOSEPH
CHARLES AND KESIER BLAIS

ACQ : HAITI, PORT AU PRINCE

SOURCE

1. ACCORDING TO BRIG. GEN. CLAUDE RAYMOND, CHIEF
OF HAITIAN ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF, PRESIDENT FRANCOIS
DUVALIER COMPLETED HIS PERSONAL INTERROGATION OF
CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE
COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, AND COL. KESIER BLAIS, FORMER
QUARTERMASTER OF THE HAITIAN ARMED FORCES, ON 15 MARCH 1971.

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[redacted], REPORTED THAT

DUVALIER HAD SEEN BLAIN PRIVATELY ON 9 MARCH 1971 AND BLAIN AND CHARLES TOGETHER ON 12 MARCH 1971. THE SAME SOURCE REPORTED THAT DUVALIER HAD AGAIN SEEN BLAIN AND CHARLES ON 15 MARCH 1971.)

2. RAYMOND SAID THAT, IN HIS INTERROGATION OF CHARLES, DUVALIER APPEARED PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH DETERMINING IF CHARLES HAD SERVED AS A FUNDING CHANNEL FROM AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN TO THE HAITIAN CONSPIRATORS. IN THE COURSE OF THE INTERROGATION, DUVALIER SHOWED CHARLES A PHOTOCOPY OF A CASHIER'S CHECK FOR \$170,000 DRAWN IN CHARLES' NAME. CHARLES ALLEGEDLY REPLIED THAT HE HAD DEALINGS WITH MANY FOREIGNERS AND HAITIANS. HE DENIED DUVALIER'S CHARGES SAYING THAT, IF HE HAD BEEN INVOLVED, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A PURELY HAITIAN AFFAIR AND THAT HE WOULD NOT SULLY HAITI'S HONOR BY SEEKING HELP FROM FOREIGNERS.

3. ACCORDING TO RAYMOND, BLAIN ALSO DENIED ANY FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT. HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT ALL THE CABINET MEMBERS HAD COCONSPIRED WITH HIM AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER, EXCEPT FOR AURELE JOSEPH, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERIOR AND NATIONAL DEFENSE; MAX ABLOISSE, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SOCIAL AFFAIRS; AND ANDRE DUBE, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FINANCE AND ECONOMIC

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AFFAIRS. BLAIN ALSO IMPLICATED ABOUT ONE QUARTER OF THE 49-MAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, INCLUDING SUCH PERSONS AS ULRICH ST. LOUIS, PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY AND DEPUTIES LUCKNER CAMBRONNE, VICTOR SEVERS CONSTANT, AND MMÈ. MARCELLE AUGUSTIN. BLAIN ADDED THAT HE HAD ALSO CONSPIRED WITH COL. BRETON CLAUDE, COMMANDER OF THE DESSALINES BATTALION, AND COL. FRED M. ARTY, INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE HAITIAN ARMED FORCES. BLAIN SAID THAT, LONG BEFORE APRIL 1970, CLAUDE HAD ALSO BEEN INVOLVED IN VARIOUS CONSPIRACIES WITH CLOVIS DESINOR, FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FINANCE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, LUCKNER CAMBRONNE, AND THE LATE LEON BORGES, AND THAT THESE MEN HAD FORMED A CLANDESTINE POLITICAL PARTY WITH DESINOR AS PRESIDENT.

4. RAYMOND SAID THAT DUVALIER WAS CONTINUING A SECRET INVESTIGATION OF THESE ADMISSIONS, PARTICULARLY IN RESPECT TO POSSIBLE FOREIGN FINANCING OF THE PLOT. IN RAYMOND'S OPINION, DUVALIER WILL TAKE NO ACTION UNTIL THE INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETE.

5. CONCERNING THE MILITARY TRIBUNAL WHICH WAS CONVENED IN EARLY MARCH 1971, RAYMOND SAID THAT THE TRIAL WAS SIMPLY

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FOR THE SAKE OF FORM. THE SENTENCES HAVE ALREADY BEEN
DECIDED UPON, BUT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THEM AWAITS WORD
FROM DUVALIER. THE TRIAL OF THE THREE DEFENDANTS CURRENTLY
IN EXILE, ALPHONSE LAHESS, CLEMENCEAU PROSPER,
AND GERARD LOISEWU, IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON
3 APRIL 1971.

6. FIELD DISSEM: STATE, DEFATT, CINCSO, CINCLANT.

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DATE DISTR. 28 AUGUST 1970

COUNTRY HAITI

SUBJECT PROSPECTIVE RELEASE OF REMAINING POLITICAL
PRISONERS ARRESTED IN APRIL 1970 FOR
ALLEGEDLY PLOTTING AGAINST GOVERNMENT

1. ACCORDING TO A HIGH-RANKING OFFICER IN THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD, THE THREE REMAINING POLITICAL PRISONERS ARRESTED IN APRIL 1970 ON CHARGES OF ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING, WILL BE AMNESTIED ON 22 SEPTEMBER 1970, THE ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER'S ELECTION AS PRESIDENT FOR LIFE.

(HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: [redacted] REPORTED THE RELEASE OF THE OTHER POLITICAL PRISONERS ARRESTED IN APRIL AND MAY 1970.) THE PRISONERS TO BE RELEASED IN SEPTEMBER ARE COL. KESNER BLAIN, FORMER QUARTERMASTER OF THE ARMED FORCES; CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF

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HAITI; AND EDMOND PIERRE-PAUL, FORMER CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF THE HAITIAN SUPREME COURT. ALL THREE MEN, CURRENTLY CONFINED IN THE NATIONAL PENITENTIARY, ARE IN POOR STATE OF HEALTH.

2. FIELD DISSEM: STATE, DEFATT, CINCSO, CINCLANT.
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COUNTRY HAITI

SUBJECT RELEASE OF HAITIAN POLITICAL PRISONERS

1. AS OF 3 AUGUST 1970, FORTY OF THE POLITICAL PRISONERS ARRESTED BETWEEN EARLY APRIL AND LATE MAY 1970 FOR ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT IN THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING OF COL. KESNER BLAIN, FORMER QUARTERMASTER OF THE HAITIAN ARMED FORCES, AND COL. OCTAVE CAYARD, FORMER COMMANDER OF THE HAITIAN COAST GUARD, HAD BEEN RELEASED. BY 7 AUGUST 1970, AN ADDITIONAL NINETEEN PRISONERS WERE RELEASED, MAKING A TOTAL OF 59. AMONG THE PRISONERS RELEASED WERE FRITZ THEBAUD, FORMER SECRETARY OF FINANCE; VOLVICK CAYARD, FORMER DEPUTY AND BROTHER OF COL. CAYARD; MAX PIERRE-PAUL, FORMER

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DEPUTY; RAMEAU ESTIME, FORMER SECRETARY OF JUSTICE; MME. CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES; MME. CLEMENCEAU PROSPER AND HER DAUGHTER MARYSE; AND ALL OF THE DETECTIVES OF THE PORT AU PRINCE POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO HAD BEEN ARRESTED.

2. AS OF 11 AUGUST 1970, THE ONLY PERSONS STILL BELIEVED TO BE UNDER ARREST ARE CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI; COL. BLAIN; EDMOND PIERRE-PAUL, FORMER CHIEF PROSECUTOR OF THE HAITIAN SUPREME COURT; AND A COUSIN OF CLEMENCEAU PROSPER. OF THE PERSONS ARRESTED IN THIS CONNECTION, ONLY TWO, CITE DOUGE AND LEON BORDES ARE DEAD. BOTH DIED AS A RESULT OF MISTREATMENT WHILE IN PRISON.

3. (SOURCE COMMENT: SEVERAL OF THE FORMER PRISONERS, INCLUDING THEBAUD, MME. PROSPER, AND PIERRE-PAUL, HAVE BEEN SEEN ON THE STREETS OF PORT AU PRINCE SINCE THEIR RELEASE. ALL OF THE FORMER PRISONERS ENCOUNTERED THUS FAR HAVE EXPRESSED ASTONISHMENT AT THEIR HAVING BEEN RELEASED AND ARE UNABLE TO ACCOUNT FOR THE UNEXPECTEDLY LENIENT TREATMENT THEY RECEIVED. ONE UNSUBSTANTIATED RUMOR CIRCULATING AROUND PORT AU PRINCE HAS IT THAT THEIR RELEASE WAS THE RESULT OF PRESSURE EXERTED ON THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT BY THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES.)

4. FIELD DISSEM: STATE, DEFATT, CINCSO, CINCLANT.

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1. ACCORDING MORNING PRESS 8 MAY, LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER PASSED DECREE 7 MAY WHICH STRIPPED FOLLOWING PERSONS OF HAITIAN CITIZENSHIP AND CONFISCATED THEIR GOODS AND CHATTELS; CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, CLEMENCEAU PROSPER, ALPHONSE LAKENS, AND KESHER BLAIN. STATED REASON FOR DECREE WAS THAT THESE PERSONS WERE ACCOMPLICES OF REBEL COASTGUARDSMEN. THIS DECREE ESSENTIALLY SAME AS ONE PASSED 27 APRIL ACCORDING IDENTICAL TREATMENT TO COASTGUARDSMEN.

2. PALACE ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT IT WOULD NOT PROCEED WITH EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS AGAINST COASTGUARDSMEN BUT WOULD JUDGE THEM IN ABSENTIA. THIS ACTION FOLLOWED NOTE RECEIVED BY EMBASSY ON 7 MAY WITHDRAWING EARLIER REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION.

3. NET EFFECT THESE ACTIONS LENDS CREDENCE TO IMPRESSION THAT HAITIAN GOVT PREPARED ACT IN OUTWARDLY LEGAL WAY IN DEALING WITH REBELLION. OWNONE HAND, RECALL OF CITIZENSHIP AND CONFISCATION OF PROPERTY LEAVES FAMILIES DESTITUTE WHICH PROBABLY AMPLE OBJECT LESSON TO OTHERS CONSIDERING REBELLION

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WHILE AVOIDING ADVERSE PUBLICITY ENGENDERED BY WHOLESALE ARRESTS AND KILLINGS IN PAST. ON OTHER, WITHDRAWAL OF EXTRADITION REQUEST PROBABLY DONE IN RECOGNITION OF FACT THAT U.S. WOULD NOT HONOR REQUEST AND THUS NEEDLESS CONFRONTATION WITH U.S. AVOIDED.

4. IN BOTH RESPECTS, THESE MOVES REPRESENT MUCH MORE MODERATE RESPONSE THAN HAD BEEN TRUE IN PAST. WHILE THEY SUGGEST DUVALIER MAY BE MELLOWING WITH PASSING YEARS, INCLINED BELIEVE THAT THEY PROMPTED MORE BY HIS BELIEF THAT HIS POSITION SUFFICIENTLY SOLID TO MAKE MORE DRASIC MEASURES UNNECESSARY TEMPERED BY NOTION THAT SUCH MEASURES MIGHT PROVOKE ADDITIONAL REBELLIONS. THUS DUVALIER WOULD APPEAR ONCE AGAIN TO HAVE STRUCK WORKABLE POLITICAL BALANCE BETWEEN VARIOUS CONTENDING FORCES AND FACTIONS IN HIS ENTOURAGE.

5. ON PERSONAL SIDE, FRAYNE'S LIFE SOMEWHAT COMPLICATED BY FACT THAT CHARLES WAS HIS LANDLORD AND EFFECT OF CONFISCATION ORDER REMAINS TO BE SEEN.

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1. STATUS OF COL. KESNER BLAIN, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF ARMED FORCES, AND CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF COMMERCIAL BANK, IMPRISONED FOR ALLEGED ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING
2. DENUNCIATION OF COL. OCTAVER CATARD, COMMANDER OF COAST GUARD, BY LUCKNER CANBRONNE, DEPUTY FROM ARCAHAIE

1. ONE OF THE SOLDIERS AT THE DESSALINES BARRACKS WHO IS GUARDING COL. KESNER BLAIN, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, WHO WERE ARRESTED IN EARLY APRIL 1970 FOR ALLEGED ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING, SAID THAT BOTH MEN STILL WERE ALIVE AS OF 30 APRIL. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: TDCS-314/03869-70 REPORTED THE ARRESTS OF BLAIN AND CHARLES.)

2. ACCORDING TO A SOLDIER AT THE NATIONAL PALACE, COL. OCTAVER CAYARD, COMMANDER OF THE COAST GUARD, WAS SUMMONED

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TO THE PALACE ON 22 APRIL 1970 BY PRESIDENT FRANCOIS D'UVALIER AS A RESULT OF A DENUNCIATION BY LUCKNER CAMBRONNE, A DEPUTY FROM ARCAHAIE. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: [redacted]) REPORTED THAT CAMBRONNE WAS A MEMBER OF A COMMISSION ASSIGNED BY DUVALIER TO INTERROGATE THE PERSONS ARRESTED DURING THE WEEK OF 1 APRIL 1970.) WHILE CAYARD WAS WITH DUVALIER, CAMBRONNE TELEPHONED DUVALIER TO SAY THAT CAYARD SHOULD NOT BE RELEASED BECAUSE HE (CAMBRONNE) HAD IRREFUTABLE PROOF OF CAYARD'S COMPLICITY IN ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOTTING. DUVALIER ASKED CAMBRONNE TO REPEAT HIS ACCUSATION WHILE HE GAVE CAYARD THE TELEPHONE RECEIVER TO LISTEN. FOLLOWING THE CONVERSATION WITH CAMBRONNE, DUVALIER REASSURED CAYARD OF HIS TRUST IN HIM AND REQUESTED CAYARD TO ARREST TWO COAST GUARD OFFICERS DURING THE COURSE OF THAT WEEK. CAYARD AGREED TO FOLLOW THE ORDER, BUT TOLD DUVALIER THAT HE KNEW THE ADDRESS OF ONLY ONE OF THE TWO OFFICERS. (FIELD COMMENT: ON 24 APRIL 1970, CAYARD LED AN ABORTIVE REVOLT BY THE COAST GUARD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT. SEE [redacted] AND SUBSEQUENT REPORTING ON THIS SUBJECT.)

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SUBJECT DENUNCIATION BY CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, OF ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOT

ACQ HAITI, PORT AU PRINCE (10 APRIL 1970)

FIELD NO. HTP-1379

1. ACCORDING TO DR. JACQUES FOURCAND, ONE OF THE PERSONAL PHYSICIANS TO PRESIDENT FRANCOIS DUVALIER, DUVALIER WAS INFORMED OF THE RECENT ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOT, WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY LED TO SEVERAL ARRESTS OF SUSPECTED PLOTTERS, BY CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI. CHARLES DENOUNCED THE PLOT TO DUVALIER WHEN HE REALIZED HE HAD BEEN "DOUBLE-CROSSED" BY COL. KESNER BLAIN, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMED FORCES, WHO HAD PROMISED TO MAKE CHARLES PRESIDENT OF HAITI IN RETURN FOR \$100,000 TO FINANCE

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A REVOLT AGAINST DUVALIER. CHARLES ALSO HAD REFUSED TO GIVE THE MONEY TO BLAIN. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: ALTHOUGH SOURCE DID NOT INDICATE HOW BLAIN HAD "DOUBLE-CROSSED" CHARLES, CHARLES WAS REPORTED IN OCTOBER 1969 TO BE FINANCING A PLOT BEING HEADED BY COL. OCTAVE CAYARD, COMMANDER OF THE COAST GUARD.

REPORTED ANOTHER PLOT AGAINST THE DUVALIER GOVERNMENT BEING HEADED BY BLAIN. CHARLES, HOWEVER, WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THIS REPORT AS BEING INVOLVED IN BLAIN'S PLOT.)

2. FOURCAND SAID THE INQUIRY IS CONTINUING. HE SAID THAT HE WOULD DEFEND THE PRISONERS AND ADDED THAT NO ONE WOULD BE SHOT AS HAD HAPPENED BEFORE. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: FOURCAND PROBABLY IS REFERRING TO A SIMILAR PURGE OF SUSPECTED PLOTTERS AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT CARRIED OUT BY DUVALIER IN MID-1967, WHICH RESULTED IN THE EXECUTION OF 19 ARMY OFFICERS.) (FIELD COMMENT:

REPORTED THAT FOURCAND IS A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION INTERROGATING BLAIN AND THE OTHER PERSONS ARRESTED DURING THE WEEK OF 1 APRIL 1970.)

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1. CONSIDERING FACT THAT BLAIN AFFAIR IS FIRST JUICY
 HORSEMAN LOCAL RUMOR MILL HAS HAD TO CHEW ON IN SOME MONTHS,
 RUMOR CIRCUIT REMARKABLY QUIET AS OF MORNING 9 APRIL.
 STATION ASSETS HAVE HAD NOTHING NEW TO REPORT SINCE
 ENVISER/8'S ACCOUNT OF UNCERTAINTY IN COAST GUARD. EVEN
 LEPIURE INFORMANTS WHO SOMETIMES WORK OVERTIME CONCOCTING
 RATIONALES OF PAST EVENTS AND GUESSTIMATES OF FUTURE IN THIS
 TYPE OF SITUATION HAVE BEEN SILENT.

2. CURRENT BOX SCORE OF DETAINEES COMPRISES BLAIN,
 DOUGE, BORDES, CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES AND HIS ASSISTANT,
 APOLLO GARNIER. ALPHONSE LAKENS STILL AT LARGE AND
 REPORTEDLY UNSUCCESSFUL IN SEEKING ASYLUM AT VARIOUS LATIN
 AMERICAS. MME. LAKENS NO LONGER IN CUSTODY. ALSO
 CONSTANTIN DUPLESSIS HAS BEEN RELEASED.

3. NO HARD INFO AND LITTLE INFORMED SPECULATION
 CURRENTLY AVAILABLE ON NATURE OR EXTENT OF PLOT IF ONE
 ACTUALLY EXISTED. MOST PERSISTENT RUMOR IS THAT BLAIN
 SOMEHOW PLANNED SEIZE GC-10 AND LAY SIEGE TO PALACE WITH

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PORT AU PRINCE POLICE SOMEHOW PLAYING ROLE OF GROUPED TROOPS IN ATTACK ON PALACE. IF THERE ANY SUBSTANCE AT ALL TO THIS RUMOR, SEEKS ODD THAT GOVT HAS NOT MOVED AGAINST COAST GUARD. SEEKS EQUALLY ODD THAT BLAIN WOULD HAVE BEEN BADMOUTHING COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS OF POLICE IN TALKING TO EVNENDS LAST DECEMBER IF HE ENVISIONED SOME ROLE FOR THEM.

4. OUR TENTATIVE JUDGEMENT AT THIS POINT IS THAT PLOT, IF ONE EXISTED, STILL VERY MUCH IN TALKING STAGE AND THAT ARRESTS PROMPTED MORE BY INDISCREET TALK BY BLAIN, CHARLES, ET AL WHO NOTORIOUSLY VOLUBLE THAN REAL CAPABILITY FOR ACTION. ALSO BY FACT THAT GOVT HAD NOT TAKEN DECISIVE ACTION OF THIS SORT FOR SOME TIME AND DUVALIER MAY HAVE CONCLUDED THAT TIME RIPE TO REMIND DISSIDENTS THAT HE STILL IN SADDLE.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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MIAMI FLA.

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CHARLES	CHARLES	JOSEPH
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UNITED STATES ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, Zip Code)		
UNIVERSITY PLACE 2 E. ORANGE, NY		
ASLINE AND FLIGHT NO. OR VESSEL OF ARRIVAL		
AP 242		
Number, Street, City, Province (State) and Country of PERMANENT RESIDENCE		
RUE LAMARRE #2 PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI		
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B. DO BASE NEW YORK 7106(N 71095)

1. INTERESTED TO NOTE THAT REF A CITES IDENS F AND H
 REF A AS ONLY POSSIBLY WITTING OF REF A PLOT, WHEREAS IDEN H
 IS SOURCE OF INFO ON REF B PLOT IN WHICH IDEN F IS ALLEGEDLY
 PRIME ACTIVIST. POSSIBILITY THUS EXISTS, IF THERE ANY
 VALIDITY TO EITHER REF, THAT REF B IS SIMPLY EFFORT BY IDEN H
 AND/OR IDEN F TO SMOKE OUT INFO ON REF A PLOT FROM EVMEND/I.
 EVMEND/I'S ACTION IN INFORMING IDEN H AND URGING BC TO COORDINATE
 WITH IDEN F SEEMS FOOLHARDY SINCE IT BROADENS SPECTRUM OF LOOSE-
 LIPPED HAITIANS PRIVY TO ONE OR BOTH ALLEGED PLOTS.

2. ALSO INTERESTING THAT BC EMERGES FROM BOTH REFS WITH
 ACTION CAPABILITY OF WHICH WE HITHERTO UNAWARE. WHILE THIS
 POSSIBLY MORE CASE OF EVMEND/I ATTEMPTING CREATE IMPRESSION OF
 IN COUNTRY CAPABILITY THAT ACTUAL FACT, WOULD APPRECIATE ANY
 ADDITIONAL LIGHT 29 OCTOBER MEETING ABLE SHED ON BC PERSONALITIES
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3. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE HQS COMMENTS ON IMPLICATIONS FOR BC OF APPARENT RIFT BETWEEN EVMEND/1 AND EVMEND/4.

4. CONCERNING PARA 5 REF A REQUEST FOR FAST COMMO BETWEEN EVMEND HQS AND BC, HQS MAY WISH CONSIDER FLOATING [REDACTED]

AS PERSONAL FRIEND OF [REDACTED] WHO RECENTLY ARRIVED
LINGOLD OFFICER BUT PROBABLY WILLING PASS ON PRIVATELY ANY WORD
FROM BC. THIS PLOY USEFUL IN SMOKING OUT EVMEND/1 WILLINGNESS
IDENTIFY BC OPERATIVES, WHILE LEAVING [REDACTED] FREE TO DISAVOW IN
EVENT CIRCUMSTANCES ON GROUND SO DICTATE. THIS ALSO PRESUPPOSES
EVMEND/1 CONTINUING VIABILITY AS CHANNEL TO EVMEND ORG DESPISE
RIFT WITH EVMEND/4 SINCE WE SEE LITTLE VIRTUE IN OFFER OF COMMO
CHANNEL BECOMING SOURCE OF FURTHER FRICTION BETWEEN VARIOUS EVMENDS.

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27 October 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR : Deputy Chief, WH/7

REFERENCE : Your request this subject

Following our receipt of information that Clemard-Joseph Charles had taken a list of requirements into the U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince and asked help in filling them, WH Division sent a memorandum on 19 August 1969 to the Chief, DCS, asking that DCS's contact with Louis A. Brun (from whom Charles had received the requirements) be terminated.

The DCS New York office on 29 August 1969 sent a memorandum to Chief, DCS, which reviewed the case, noted Brun had been guilty of sloppy security, and concluded that no further requirements would be given him. This memorandum did not, however, say that contact would be terminated; in fact, it said they would continue to debrief Brun whenever he returned from a trip to Haiti. This memorandum was sent to Port-au-Prince (HTPW-1347, 17 Sept 1969).

The Station replied (Port-au-Prince 6496, 11 Oct 69) that this was not enough, that the contact should be completely severed. WH/Branch 7 officers then met with Mr. George Musulin of DCS to discuss the matter further, WH/7 officers maintaining that there was more political action hazard to this contact than the FI product justified. Musulin agreed to raise the matter with C/DCS. The result was a memorandum on 16 October 1969 from C/DCS to C/WHD which referred to the original WHD memorandum of 19 August and advised that contact with Brun has been terminated. Port-au-Prince was so informed (DIR 48277, 21 Oct 69).

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NO FACT

AKULE 3070PS EVMEND

REF A DO BASE NEW YORK 7075 (IN 70936)

B DO BASE NEW YORK 7276 (IN 70937)

1. SOURCE PARA 2 BELOW IS IDENTICAL WITH REF B VIA EVMED/1. DOI

SA 25 OCTOBER.

2. SEPARATE PLOT FROM THAT DESCRIBED REF A IS UNDER WAY HEADED
BY IDEM F REF E WITH ALLEGED SUPPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED OFFICERS WHO
PLANNING TO TAKE POWER USING TWO COMPANIES FROM DESSALINES BARRACKS.

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IDEN F REQUESTS THAT EVMENDS LAUNCH FAYE INVASION PLOT DIVERSION
SIMILAR TO ONES IN PAST, LETTING IDEN F KNOW DATE AND PLACE INVASION
SUPPOSED TO OCCUR. COUP WOULD THEN BE TIMED ACCORDINGLY. IDEN H
IMPLIED THAT COAST GUARD ONCE ALERTED COULD BE COUNTED ON TO GO ALONG
WITH INSURGENTS BUT DID NOT MENTION IDEN A REF B IN THIS CONTEXT.

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3. EVMEND/1 INFORMED IDEN H IN GENERAL TERMS THAT PEF A PLOT IS JELLINE AND ANY ACTION BY IDEN F GROUP AGAINST PRESIDENTIAL GUARD WOULD BE MISTAKE. EVMEND/1 INFORMING BUREAU CENTRAL OF IDEN F PLANS AND URGING THEM COORDINATE, SAYS EVMENDS WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO FLICAT INVASION STORY OR APPROVE ANY SUCH ATTEMPT ON PART OF EMIGRES.

4. EVMEND/4 HAS NOT BEEN INFORMED BY EVMEND/1 OF INFO PAPA 2 ABOVE, ALTHOUGH EVMEND/4 AWARE THAT EVMEND/1 HAS BEEN SEEING IDEN H. EVMEND/1 HAS APPRAISED EVMEND/3 OF GENERAL FEATURES OF REF A PLAN BUT NOT OF PAPA 2 ABOVE. RELATIONS BETWEEN EVMEND/1 AND EVMEND/4 APPEAR TO BE AT RADIR, HENCE SUGGEST GILBPIDE PLAN DETAILED DISCUSSION PRESENT SITUATION IN HC WITH BASE PRIOR TO AFTERNOON MEETING WITH EVMEND/1 ON 29 OCTOBER.

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REF: DO BASE NEW YORK 7875 (1070936)

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STATION REPORTING WAS DELPHIC COMMENT BY E/18 TO E-2
ON 21 OCTOBER THAT WHILE MEN LIKE DESIMON, RAMEAU ESTIME,
FREDERIC DESVAPIEUX MANEUVER TO REPLACE DUVALIER, IT IS ARMED
FORCES WHICH HAS THE LAST WORD IN SUCH MATTERS. ALSO THAT
THERE ARE TIMES, IN POLITICS, WHEN E/18 MUST BE RETICENT
DESPITE HIS CONFIDENCE IN E/2'S INTENTIONS, ALSO WHEN E/2
LEAST EXPECTED IT, E/18 WOULD TELL HIM EVERYTHING THAT WAS
GOING ON. REMARKS WERE MADE IN RESPONSE TO E/2 QUESTION ABOUT
IMPACT OF RECENT NOUVEAU MONDE ARTICLE BY ANTOINE HERARD WHICH
BEING INTERPRETED BY E/18 AS DUVALIER PLANT FORESHADOWING PURGE
OF MORE CORRUPT ELEMENTS IN GOVT. (REACTION OF E-5, 10 AND
16 TO ARTICLE BEING DISSEMINATED). THUS E/18'S REMARKS MAY SIMPLY
HAVE REFERRED TO THIS SORT OF PURGE INSTEAD BROADER PLOT
NOTED REF.

2. HAS APPOINTMENT WITH IDEM B REF 0938 27 OCT 10

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DISCUSS NEW LEASE ON HOUSE HE OCCUPYING. PLAN USE MEETING
TO OPEN LOW KEY CHANNEL TO IDEN B. REALIZE THIS DUPLICATES
EXISTING CHANNELS OTHER IMPURE OFFICERS AND IDEN B NOTORIOUSLY
INDISCREET, BUT ~~MAY~~ BE OF VALUE IF REF PLOT JELLS.

3. ALSO PLAN PAY COURTESY CALL ON IDEM A WHO LIVES TWO HOUSES AWAY IN CONTEXT GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH NEIGHBORS.

4. RE IDEN I WHO ENCRYPTED EVLEAF/I, BELIEVE UPCOMING
[REDACTED] VISIT MAY AFFORD CHANCE GET FIRST HAND READING
HIS VIEWS. OR [REDACTED] MAY APPROACH DIRECTLY AS PERSON TEECAST
SUGGESTED WAS WELL INFORMED ON HAITIANS AFFAIRS. PLS ADVISE
IF HQS HAS OBJECTIONS TO LATTER TACK. . .

5. ACCORDING MILATT, IDEM D REF IS PROBABLY MAJOR JEAN THOMAS, PDOB, ST. MARC, HAITI, 5 JUN 35, GRADUATED HAITIAN MILITARY ACADEMY '56.

6. UPON CLEARANCE FROM HQS, WILL PASS SUBSTANCE
PARAS 2 AND 3 REF TO CHARGE. ALSO PLEASE ADVISE WHEN LIBOLD
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SUBJECT PLANS BY HAITIAN MILITARY OFFICER TO OVERTHROW THE DUVALIER GOVERNMENT AND TO ESTABLISH A JUNTA

1. ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC DATE HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR THE ACTION, COL. OCTAVE CAYARD, COMMANDER OF THE COAST GUARD, GEN. GERARD CONSTANT, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND COL. GRACIA JACQUES, COMMANDER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD, ARE LAYING PLANS TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT FRANCOIS

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D U V A L I E R AND TO ESTABLISH THEMSELVES AS A JUNTA. THE PLOT IS BEING HEADED BY CAYARD AND IS BEING FINANCED BY CLEMARD JOSEPH C H A R L E S, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF HAITI, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$600,000.

2. IN THE ORIGINAL PLAN, THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD WAS REGARDED AS A MAJOR OBSTACLE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE PLAN AND, THEREFORE, CAYARD AND CONSTANT AGREED TO INCLUDE JACQUES IN THE JUNTA ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT WAS A NECESSARY EVIL. CAYARD'S ONLY CONTACT WITH JACQUES, HOWEVER, HAS BEEN INDIRECTLY THROUGH CAPTAIN T H O M A S (FNU). (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: THOMAS PROBABLY IS IDENTICAL WITH MAJOR JEAN T H O M A S, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD.)

3. BESIDES THE ASSISTANCE THE PLOTTERS HAVE OBTAINED FROM INSIDE HAITI, THEY ALSO ARE SEEKING SUPPORT FROM HAITIAN EXILES WHO ACTIVELY OPPOSE THE DUVALIER REGIME.

4. (HEADQUARTERS COMMENT: IN MID-MAY 1969, A MILITARY JUNTA WHICH INCLUDED CAYARD AND CONSTANT, WAS BEING FORMED TO OVERTHROW THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT. AT THAT TIME, IT WAS NOT CLEAR IF THE GROUP HAD ACTUALLY APPROACHED JACQUES, BUT IT WAS THOUGHT THAT AS COMMANDER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD, HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO

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OFFER NECESSARY SUPPORT FOR THEIR PLAN. SEE [redacted]
THE PLANNING IN MID-MAY 1969 WAS FOR ACTION IN THE EVENT OF
DUVALIER'S DEATH. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE PRESENT PLOT IS IN
FACT ONLY A CONTINUATION OF THAT CONTINGENCY PLANNING.)

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IDEHS

- A. OCTAVE CAYARD
- B. CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES
- C. GENERAL CONSTANT
- D. CAPTAIN FNU THOMAS, PROBABLY JEAN
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1. REPORTS
ATED 16 SEPT THRU 11 OCTOBER. REPORTS ENCODED IN PRIVATE NUMERICAL
CODE USED BETWEEN EXTENDS AND EC, MAILED TO EVMED/1 OVERPT LETTER
ROP WHICH SAME AS THAT USED BY EVMOUNT/1.

2. IDENS A, C AND E PLANNING OVERTHROW DUVALIER AND SET UP
LIVES AS JUNTA. TIMING NOT GIVEN. IDEN B FINANCING THE PLOT TO
THE OF \$622,000. INSIDE VITTING PARTIES ARE IDENS D AND POSSIBLY F.
INSIDE VITTING PARTIES ARE EVMEN/1, EVMENO/4 IDEN^G, AND POSSIBLY
IDEN H WHO BROTHER OF IDEN F.

3. CHRONOLOGY OF SC INVOLVEMENT IS AS FOLLOWS: 21 AUG, BC MEETING WITH IDEN B, WHO INDICATED HE PLANNING SUPPORT COUP WHICH PREDICTED BUT NEEDS HELP IN REMOVING OBSTACLE OF PRESIDENTIAL GUARD. GAVE HIM NAMES OF RELIABLE INDIVIDUALS AT SPECIFIC POSTS AND SUGGESTED APPROACH TO IDEN E VIA IDEN D. 11 SEPTEMBER, BC MEETING WITH IDEN B WHO REVEALED THAT HE DEALING WITH IDEN C. BC PLACED

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TO INDIRECT CONTACT WITH IDEN C VIA IDEN I. 16 OR 17 SEPTEMBER,
C CONTACT WITH IDEN I, LEARNED THAT IDEN A IS LEADING PLOT. SC
SCHED FOR CONTACT WITH IDEN A. 23 SEPTEMBER AND 2 OCTOBER, SC
MEETING WITH IDEN A. 23 SEPTEMBER, LAST SC MEETING WITH IDEN B.
ROM THAT DATE TO 11 OCTOBER ONLY SC CONTACT WAS IDEN A. AS OF 11
OCTOBER EC FELT HAD COMPLETED BROKER ROLE IN PLAN AND UNDERSTANDS
THAT IDENS A AND C AGREED TO INCLUSION OF IDEN E IN JUNTA ON GROUNDS
HIS NECESSARY EVIL. IDEN A MAINTAINS INDIRECT CONTACT WITH IDEN E
IA IDEN D. IDEN C IS IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH IDEN I. NAMES OF
ITTING GUARDS OTHER THAN IDEN D NOT DISCLOSED BY EC TO EVMENDS.

4. PC PEREER WHO CARRYING BALL THIS OP IS IDEN J.

5. PC REQUESTS FOLLOWING ACTION FROM EVMENDS: ESTABLISHMENT OF
4ST TWO-WAY COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN SC AND EVMENDS HQ; AND
LAUNCHING OF DIVERSIONARY ACTION TO DISTRACT DUVALIER ATTENTION.
VMENDS 1 AND 4 REQUEST RVROCK ASSISTANCE ON FIRST ITEM AND ADVICE
V SECOND.

6. EVMOUNT/1 PLANNING TRIP TO NYC 2 NOVEMBER. EVMENDS WOULD
ACCEPT HIM AS COMMO LINK TO PC BUT UNSURE HOW PC WOULD FEEL TO
HIM WITTING. EVMEND/1 PROPOSES TWO OTHER ALTERNATIVES FOR
INTERMEDIARY, IDENS K AND L, COULD ASCERTAIN FROM SC BY TELEPHONE
WHETHER EITHER OR BOTH ABLE TRAVEL TO US ON SHORT NOTICE. EVMEND/4
ATTITUDE THESE CANDIDATES NOT YET KNOWN.

7. MEETING SCHEDULED FOR EVMEND/1 AND GILBRIDE FOR 29
OCTOBER. WILL ADVISE RE EVMEND/4 AVAILABILITY 30 OCTOBER.
LELAND MEETING EVMEND/4 23 OCTOBER.

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3. THE FACT THAT WODISH DOES NOT BELIEVE BRUN IS INVOLVED IN ANY CURRENT REVOLUTIONARY SCHEME IN HAITI IS NOT VERY REASSURING WHEN WE RECALL THAT AS LATE AS MAY 1969, BRUN SERVED AS AN INTERMEDIARY TO PASS ON REQUEST FROM PLOTTING GROUP FOR SECRET INTERVIEW WITH LNHARP OFFICIAL. DETAILS THIS REQUEST WHICH INCLUDED OPEN CODE MESSAGES TO SET-UP MEETINGS AND RECOGNITION SIGNALS GIVEN BY DIRECTOR 02376. BRUN MAY NOT BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED WITH PLOTTING GROUP BUT HE IS GUILTY BY ASSOCIATION WHICH IS MORE THAN ENOUGH IN DUVALIER'S HAITI TO ENSURE HIS SPEEDY DISPATCH SHOULD DUVALIER DECIDE TO POUNCE ON CHARLES AND BRUN HAPPENS TO BE IN THE COUNTRY.

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PARA 2, C. REF ACTUALLY TEND TO IMPLICATE HIM MORE IN INTERNAL PLOTTING. ALFONSO LAHENS WAS IDENTIFIED BY BRUN IN DIRECTOR 02376 AS MEMBER OF PLOTTING GROUP WHO WAS IN SEMI-HIDING IN MAY 69. LOUIS LEVEQUE WAS IDENTIFIED AS PLOTTING WITH CHARLES AND BRUN PER DIRECTOR 97813,

20 APR 66.

5. 5. STATION HARVIEWED LIMITED AMOUNT OF ECONOMIC INFORMATION PRODUCED BY BRUN AND CANNOT SEE HOW IT PROVIDES ANYTHING NOT KNOWN (RUMOR OR FACT) TO LNPURE, WHICH HAS STRONG ECONOMICS REPORTING OFFICER. SUSPICION THAT BRUN HAS NO WORTHWHILE SOURCES IS SUPPORTED BY INCIDENT REPORTED PORT AU PRINCE 6323 WHEN CHARLES APPROACHED LNPURE REQUESTING INFO TO SERVICE THE CIRL REQUIREMENTS LEVIED ON BRUN BY WODISH.

6. BRUN IS ADMITTEDLY UNPROFESSIONAL, UNTRAINED, AND APPARENTLY UNCONTROLLED. AS LONG AS WODISH CANNOT PREVENT BRUN FROM CONTACTING CHARLES (OR ANYBODY ELSE) IN HAITI, THIS ACTIVITY WILL CONTINUE TO POSE RISKS FOR RVROCK. BRUN IS A NATURALIZED AMERICAN OF HAITIAN ORIGIN, BUT WHILE HE IS IN HAITI, HE IS CONSIDERED A HAITIAN. LNPURE CAN GIVE

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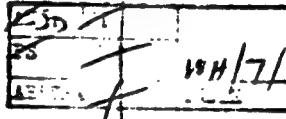
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INVOLVED IN ANY CURRENT REVOLUTIONARY SCHEME IN HAITI IS
NOT VERY REASSURING WHEN WE RECALL THAT AS LATE AS MAY 1969,
BRUN SERVED AS AN INTERMEDIARY TO PASS ON REQUEST FROM
PLOTTING GROUP FOR SECRET INTERVIEW WITH LNHARP OFFICIAL.
DETAILS THIS REQUEST WHICH INCLUDED OPEN CODE MESSAGES
TO SET-UP MEETINGS AND RECOGNITION SIGNALS GIVEN BY
DIRECTOR 02376. BRUN MAY NOT BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED PLOTTING
GROUP BUT HE IS GUILTY BY ASSOCIATION WHICH IS MORE THAN
ENOUGH IN DUVALIER'S HAITI TO ENSURE HIS SPEEDY
DISPATCH SHOULD DUVALIER DECIDE TO POUNCE ON CHARLES AND
BRUN HAPPENS TO BE IN THE COUNTRY.

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PARA 2, C. REF ACTUALLY TEND TO IMPLICATE HIM MORE IN INTERNAL PLOTTING. ALFONSO LAKENS WAS IDENTIFIED BY BRUN IN DIRECTOR 82376 AS MEMBER OF PLOTTING GROUP WHO WAS IN SEMI-HIDING IN MAY 69. LOUIS LEVEQUE WAS IDENTIFIED AS PLOTTING WITH CHARLES AND BRUN PER DIRECTOR 97813, 29 APR 66.

5. 5. STATION HARVIEWED LIMITED AMOUNT OF ECONOMIC INFORMATION PRODUCED BY BRUN AND CANNOT SEE HOW IT PROVIDES ANYTHING NOT KNOWN (RUMOR OR FACT) TO LNPURE, WHICH HAS STRONG ECONOMICS REPORTING OFFICER. SUSPICION THAT BRUN HAS NO WORTHWHILE SOURCES IS SUPPORTED BY INCIDENT REPORTED PORT AU PRINCE 6323 WHEN CHARLES APPROACHED LNPURE REQUESTING INFO TO SERVICE THE CIRL REQUIREMENTS LEVIED ON BRUN BY WODISH.

6. BRUN IS ADMITTEDLY UNPROFESSIONAL, UNTRAINED, AND APPARENTLY UNCONTROLLED. AS LONG AS WODISH CANNOT PREVENT BRUN FROM CONTACTING CHARLES (OR ANYBODY ELSE) IN HAITI, THIS ACTIVITY WILL CONTINUE TO POSE RISKS FOR RVROCK. BRUN IS A NATURALIZED AMERICAN OF HAITIAN ORIGIN, BUT WHILE HE IS IN HAITI, HE IS CONSIDERED A HAITIAN. LNPURE CAN GIVE

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REF: PORT AU PRINCE 6024 (IN 57320)

1. GIVEN BELOW IS TEXT OF *DCS* REPORT CONCERNING REQUEST BY HAITIAN OPPPOSITION GROUP FOR SECRET INTERVIEW WITH U.S. OFFICIAL. *DCS* REPORT CAME FROM LOUIS A. BRUN ON BEHALF OF CLEONARD JOSEPH CHARLES. BRUN IS CHARLES' NEW YORK LAWYER AND BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE. *DCS* WAS ADVISED THAT WE HAVE NO INTEREST IN CONTACTING ANY REPRESENTATIVE OR MEMBER OF PLOTTING GROUP.

2. DIFFICULT AT THIS STAGE TO DETERMINE DEGREE (IF ANY) CHARLES INVOLVED IN PLOT. THREE GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT CHARLES HAS ONLY HEARD OF PLOT AND ATTEMPTING TO ACT AS BROKER BETWEEN PLOTTERS AND U.S. GOVERNMENT FOR OWN INTERESTS. IN MID-67, CHARLES USED THE BRUN-*DCS* CHANNEL IN ATTEMPT OBTAIN U.S. GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR ONE OF HIS PLOTS.

3. LAKENS, PNU, MENTIONED IN *DCS* REPORT PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH ALPHONSE LAKENS, FORMER DEPUTY FROM ARCAHAIE, WHO IN JUN 68 WAS REPORTED BY *DCS* TO BE ORGANIZING PLOT
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WITH GENERAL CONSTANT, COLONEL BLAIN, AND OTHERS. CIV. PORT-AU-PRINCE 5247 (IN 40289) (NOT SENT TO BASE NEW YORK). NO TRACKS EDGARD BONY. PLS PASS REPORT TO AMBASSADOR RCSS. HQS SENDING COPY TO ARA/CAR. REPORT FOLLOWS:

4. ONE OF THE UNDERGROUND OPPPOSITION GROUPS IN HAITI IS CENTERED IN THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: LAHENS, PMU (FORMER DEPUTY, NOW IN SEMI-HIDING); COLONEL KESNER BLAIN (HEAD OF ARMY QUARTERMASTER WAREHOUSES); COLONEL CATARD (HEAD OF THE COAST GUARD); CONSTANT, PMU (CHIEF OF STAFF). THEY WISH TO ORGANIZE A JUNTA, FOLLOWING THE DEATH OR RETIREMENT OF HAITIAN PRESIDENT DUVALIER, AND EXERCISE POWER DURING TRANSITION PERIOD. FOLLOWING TRANSITION PERIOD, THIS GROUP WISHES TO HAVE FREE ELECTIONS AND THEN RETIRE FROM POLITICAL ACTIVITY. LAHENS WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MINISTER. BLAIN WOULD LIKE DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT. CATARD WOULD LIKE TO RETIRE TO HIS CATTLE RANCH. THE GROUP HAS NO PARTICULAR CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.

5. THIS GROUP ALLEGES THAT IT COMMANDS WIDE SUPPORT AMONG ARMY PERSONNEL IN PORT-AU-PRINCE AND IN THE HAITIAN HINTERLAND. THE GROUP IS REPORTEDLY WILLING TO WORK WITH ANY

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6. UNTIL RECENTLY, THE PLAN OF THIS GROUP WAS TO SIT BACK, WAIT FOR INTERNAL UPHEAVALS AND THEN MOVE IN TO ASSUME POWER. THEY DID NOT WANT TO ACT ON THEIR OWN, BUT PREFERRED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AN INTERNAL UPHEAVAL CREATED BY SOMEBODY ELSE.

7. THE MOST RECENT RUMORS CONCERNING PRESIDENT DUVALIER'S HEALTH HAVE, HOWEVER, CAUSED THE GROUP TO CHANGE ITS MIND. THE MEMBERS NOW DECLARE THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE AND THAT AS SOON AS PRESIDENT DUVALIER "GOES ON THE OPERATING TABLE" THEY WILL MOVE.

8/ THE GROUP RECOGNIZES, HOWEVER, THAT CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES LIE IN ITS PATH AND IS MOST ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS THE ENTIRE MATTER IN SECRET WITH A U.S. ENVOY. WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY TO THIS ENVOY IS NOT KNOWN.

9. THE GROUP HAS ORGANIZED THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE FOR THE ENVOY TO FOLLOW. FIRST, HE MUST SEND A CABLE TO THE FOLLOWING CABLE ADDRESS: ETELAHAB, PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI.

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 SOUCI HOTEL." THE NAME SIGNED TO THE CABLE DOES NOT MATTER.
 THE CABLE ADDRESS IS THAT OF ESTABLISHMENTS LAMBERT-BLAIN &
 CO., PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI. SECOND, HE MUST REGISTER AT THE
 SANS SOUCI AND AWAIT CALL OR VISIT FROM MAN NAMED EDGARD BONI.
 BONI IS KESKER BLAIN'S BROTHER. THE ORIGINAL FAMILY NAME IS
 "BONI"; BLAIN CHANGED HIS NAME. BONI WILL EITHER TAKE THE
 ENVOY TO TALK TO CONSTANT OR WILL INFORM HIM OF ARRANGEMENTS
 MADE FOR THE INTERVIEW. THE ONLY PERSON PRESENT AT THE
 INTERVIEW WILL BE CONSTANT AND THE ENVOY. THIRD, WHEN THE
 ENVOY MEETS CONSTANT HE MUST ESTABLISH HIS bona fides BY
 SAYING "I HAVE BEEN SENT BY MR. EISCHHOFFER TO DISCUSS SISAL."
 THE KEY WORD IS "EISCHHOFFER."

10. IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE, BUT NOT MANDATORY, IF THE
 SECRET U.S. ENVOY WAS ABLE TO SPEAK FRENCH." (END OF REPORT)

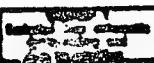
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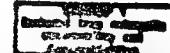
SW COMMENT: On 10 May, Clemond Joseph Charles told Embassy Officer and COS of plot against Duvalier. Date of plot may be advanced now that Duvalier is ill.

Laure Shatley
for **WILLIAM V. BEGGS**
C/WED

crosses **THOMAS S. CLAYTON**
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References: A. HTPA 2457, 19 August 1969
B. DIRECTOR 26288, 1 August 1969
C. POST AU PRINCE 6323, 29 July 1969
D. HTPA 2443, 29 July 1969

1. Headquarters agrees with Station that the continued contact between Subject of 201-357029 and IDEM A, on behalf of WODISH, poses a potential security threat for the LINEAR components in Haiti. Upon receipt of Ref C, the Deak sent a memorandum to Chief, WODISH, on 19 August 1969, which forwarded a resume of the Ref C information, and requested that the contact between IDEM A and Subject on behalf of WODISH be terminated.

2. On 29 August 1969, the WODISH officer who is in contact with IDEK, replied to the Desk's memorandum as follows.

"a. We (WODISH) have carefully considered the Desk's comments re IDEM A and his relationship with Subject. We have concluded that in the matter of the nine questions concerning the activity of foreign companies in Haiti, IDEM A has been guilty at least of sloppy security procedures and (we) have decided to modify our relationship with him.

"D. Subject has never doubted that IDEM A represented a channel to LINHARP authority which he could use to supplement his contacts with members of the LINPURE staff in Port au Prince. IDEM A

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was originally introduced to WODISH in New York City by Subject on 15 April 1966. Until the early fall of 1967, much of WODISH activity with IDEN A was devoted to arranging contacts with various elements of LNHARP, which IDEN A requested on behalf of Subject, and reporting operational information. To the best of WODISH knowledge and belief, however, none of these contacts produced any tangible assistance to Subject's various schemes. With two exceptions, WODISH relationship with IDEN A since October 1967 has been exclusively that of foreign intelligence collection. The exceptions were Subject's request for a secret meeting with a WOLADY envoy in May 1969, and an independent similar request from another group in the same month. As has been fully reported, IDEN A made it perfectly clear to WODISH and to Subject and to the other group that he was acting only as a channel and that he was not actively involved or interested. We (WODISH) simply transmitted the request. We wish to point out that what the Desk calls IDEN's "Lobbying" for Subject ended before October 1967. During the nearly two years in which the contact in the WODISH New York Office has dealt with IDEN A, the latter has never sponsored or "lobbied" for Subject's various schemes. IDEN A has occasionally relayed information concerning them, but has told WODISH repeatedly that he no longer wishes to be involved politically with Subject.

"c. We wish also to point out that IDEN A, as a regular supplier of foreign intelligence on Haiti, has supplied data which originate with Haitians other than Subject, and, therefore, IDEN A is not merely Subject's mouthpiece. Specifically, IDEN B and IDEN C are two of IDEN A's Haitian sources. IDEN B is a well-known Haitian businessman; IDEN C is a former deputy.

"d. We (WODISH) are not concerned with Subject, but are very much so with IDEN A. We do not believe that IDEN A is involved in any current revolutionary scheme in Haiti. We are, however, disturbed at the unprofessional way in which IDEN A handled the questions concerning foreign companies in Haiti. We did not request IDEN A to consult Subject about the requirements on foreign companies and, in view of the manner in which IDEN A handled our requirements, we shall continue only to accept information which he proffers on his return from his frequent trips to Haiti, and shall refrain from briefing him. We have requested our WOROMP customers to give us an evaluation of IDEN A's intelligence reporting. Unless this evaluation is unfavorable, we shall continue to exploit IDEN A in the manner just described. Insofar as contact between IDEN A and Subject is concerned, (1) we cannot prevent IDEN A from talking to Subject (or anybody else), but (2) we have never in the past and shall not in the future request that IDEN A contact Subject on behalf of WODISH."

3. To date, the WOROMP evaluation of IDEN A's reporting has not been received. However, since WODISH has agreed to refrain from briefing IDEN A prior to any future trips he may make to Haiti, there should be no recurrence of the type of situation described in Ref C.

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IDENTITIES: A. Louis A. Brun

B. Louis Leveque

C. Alfonse Lahens

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 C. PORT AU PRINCE 6323, 29 July 1969
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1. Headquarters agrees with Station that the continued contact between Subject of 201-357029 and IDEK A, on behalf of WODISH, poses a potential security threat for the LNCHARP components in Haiti. Upon receipt of Ref C, the Desk sent a memorandum to Chief, WODISH, on 19 August 1969, which forwarded a resume of the Ref C information, and requested that the contact between IDEK A and Subject on behalf of WODISH be terminated.

2. On 29 August 1969, the WODISH officer who is in contact with IDEK, replied to the Desk's memorandum as follows.

"a. We (WODISH) have carefully considered the Desk's comments re IDEK A and his relationship with Subject. We have concluded that in the matter of the nine questions concerning the activity of foreign companies in Haiti, IDEK A has been guilty at least of sloppy security procedures and (we) have decided to modify our relationship with him.

"b. Subject has never doubted that IDEK A represented a channel to LNCHARP authority which he could use to supplement his contacts with members of the LEXURE staff in Port au Prince. IDEK A

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was originally introduced to WODISH in New York City by Subject on 15 April 1966. Until the early fall of 1967, much of WODISH activity with IDEN A was devoted to arranging contacts with various elements of LHARP, which IDEN A requested on behalf of Subject, and reporting operational information. To the best of

WODISH knowledge and belief, however, none of these contacts produced any tangible assistance to Subject's various schemes. With two exceptions, WODISH relationship with IDEN A since October 1967 has been exclusively that of foreign intelligence collection. The exceptions were Subject's request for a secret meeting with a WOLADY envoy in May 1969, and an independent similar request from another group in the same month. As has been fully reported, IDEN A made it perfectly clear to WODISH and to Subject and to the other group that he was acting only as a channel and that he was not actively involved or interested. We (WODISH) simply transmitted the request. We wish to point out that what the Desk calls IDEN's "Lobbying" for Subject ended before October 1967. During the nearly two years in which the contact in the WODISH New York Office has dealt with IDEN A, the latter has never sponsored or "lobbied" for Subject's various schemes. IDEN A has occasionally relayed information concerning them, but has told WODISH repeatedly that he no longer wishes to be involved politically with Subject.

"c. We wish also to point out that IDEN A, as a regular supplier of foreign intelligence on Haiti, has supplied data which originate with Haitians other than Subject, and, therefore, IDEN A is not ~~merely~~ Subject's mouthpiece. Specifically, IDEN B and IDEN C are two of IDEN A's Haitian sources. IDEN B is a well-known Haitian businessman; IDEN C is a former deputy.

"d. We (WODISH) are not concerned with Subject, but are very much so with IDEN A. We do not believe that IDEN A is involved in any current revolutionary scheme in Haiti. We are, however, disturbed at the unprofessional way in which IDEN A handled the questions concerning foreign companies in Haiti. We did not request IDEN A to consult Subject about the requirements on foreign companies and, in view of the manner in which IDEN A handled our requirements, we shall continue only to accept information which he proffers on his return from his frequent trips to Haiti, and shall refrain from briefing him. We have requested our WOROMP customers to give us an evaluation of IDEN A's intelligence reporting. Unless this evaluation is unfavorable, we shall continue to exploit IDEN A in the manner just described. Insofar as contact between IDEN A and Subject is concerned, (1) we cannot prevent IDEN A from talking to Subject (or anybody else), but (2) we have never in the past and shall not in the future request that IDEN A contact Subject on behalf of WODISH."

3. To date, the WOROMP evaluation of IDEN A's reporting has not been received. However, since WODISH has agreed to refrain from briefing IDEN A prior to any future trips he may make to Haiti, there should be no recurrence of the type of situation described in Ref C.

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IDENTITIES: A. Louis A. Brun
B. Louis Leveque
C. Alfonse Lahens

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Memorandum

TO : Director, Domestic Contact Service
ATTN: OSS (Musulin)
FROM : Chief, New York Field Office

SUBJECT: DCS Relationship with Louis A. Brun
Ref: WH/7 Memoranda, 28 May 69, and 19 Aug 69, same subject

NY 632-69
DATE: 29 August 1969

1. We have carefully considered WH/7's comments about Louis A. Brun and his relationship with Clemond Joseph Charles. We have concluded that in the matter of the nine questions concerning the activity of foreign companies in Haiti Brun has been guilty at least of sloppy security procedures and have decided to modify our relationship with him.

2. Charles has never doubted that Brun represented a channel to US government authority which he could use to supplement his contacts with members of the US Embassy staff in Port-au-Prince. Brun was originally introduced to DCS in New York City by Charles on 15 Apr 1966 (see memorandum NY-251-66). Until the early fall of 1967, much of our activity with Brun was devoted to arranging contacts with various elements of the US government, which Brun requested on behalf of Charles, and reporting operational information. To the best of our knowledge and belief, however, none of these contacts produced any tangible assistance to Charles's various schemes. With two exceptions, our relationship with Brun since October 1967 has been exclusively that of foreign intelligence collection. The exceptions were Charles's request for a secret meeting with a US envoy in May 1969 and an independent similar request from another group in the same month. As has been fully reported, Brun made it perfectly clear to us and to Charles and to the other group that he was acting only as a channel and that he was not actively involved or interested. We simply transmitted the requests. We wish to point out that what WH/7 calls Brun's "Lobbying" for Charles ended before October 1967. During the nearly two years in which Mitchell has dealt with Brun, the latter has never sponsored or "Lobbied" for Charles's various schemes. He has occasionally relayed information concerning them, but has told us repeatedly that he no longer wishes to be involved politically with Charles.

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3. We wish also to point out that Brun, as a regular supplier of foreign intelligence on Haiti, has supplied data which originate with Haitians other than Charles, and, therefore, that Brun is not merely Charles's mouthpiece. Specifically, Louis Leveque and Alfonse Lahens are two of Brun's Haitian sources. Leveque is a well-known Haitian businessman; Lahens is a former deputy.

4. We are not concerned with Charles, but are very much so with Brun. We do not believe that Brun is involved in any current revolutionary scheme in Haiti. We are, however, disturbed at the un-professional way in which Brun handled the questions concerning foreign companies in Haiti. We did not request Brun to consult Charles about the requirements on foreign companies and in view of the manner in which Brun handled our requirements we shall continue only to accept information which he proffers on his return from his frequent trips to Haiti and shall refrain from briefing him. We have requested our DD/I consumers to give us an evaluation of Brun's intelligence reporting. Unless this evaluation is unfavorable, we shall continue to exploit Brun in the manner just described. Insofar as contact between Brun and Charles is concerned, (a) we cannot prevent Brun from talking to Charles (or anybody else) but (b) we have never in the past and shall not in the future request that Brun contact Charles on behalf of DCS.

6. Please pass the foregoing information to WH/7.

Jackson L. H. T.
JACKSON L. HORTON

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JHMitchell:kf

File: Louis A. Brun, President
H&B International Corporation
230 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

1. Opponents of Haitian President Francois Duvalier have formed a new political opposition group. The following are members: Colonel Cayard (Commandant of the Haitian Coast Guard); Captain Daniel (assistant to Cayard); Gerard Constant (Haitian Army Chief of Staff); Colonel Kesner Blain (in charge of Haitian Army quartermaster depots); and Colonel Gracia Jarnes (Commandant of the Presidential Palace Guard). [See 00-3-321/06913-69 (paragraph 2-e) and CO-B-321/14515-69 (paragraph 3) for earlier data concerning some of the members of this group.]
2. This group is now working with Clemard Joseph Charles and has formulated, largely under the direction of the latter, a tentative political plan for the organization of a post-Duvalier Haiti. The group is anxious to act, because some of the members, notably Daniel and Cayard, fear that they will be arrested in the not-too-distant future. The entire membership displays, however, the trait common to all Haitian opposition groups: they will not act until President Duvalier dies, becomes totally incapacitated or is overthrown by somebody else. Jacques is an important addition to the group. He is completely loyal to President Duvalier, but has no use for the other members of the Duvalier family. Consequently, he will play no active part unless the President in some manner disappears from the scene.
3. This group still wishes to exercise power during a transitional period following President Duvalier's departure []. Charles does not want to hold any political appointment during this transition period, but plans to recover his position as the head of the Haitian Chamber of Commerce and travel abroad, to raise money for foreign economic assistance to Haiti. He plans to establish a political party, to be known as TOP (Travail,

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Ordre, Progres). Charles hopes that TOP will become one of two or three political parties in the post-Duvalier period and is convinced that TOP will win a constitutional victory at the polls and propel him to power. In the meantime, Colonel Kesner Blain will be the head of the provisional government. Blain has no long-range political ambitions. Charles and his colleagues plan a new constitution for Haiti, which will provide for a President and for a Prime Minister. The Prime Minister will exercise the effective power. Charles expects that TOP's electoral victory will make him, as TOP's leader, Prime Minister in the new constitutional government.

- 4. Reportedly, Charles recently received from the US (no additional data available) the sum of US\$230 thousand. This money is to be used to finance the overthrow of President Duvalier. I cannot confirm the accuracy of this reported gift.

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AKULE DOMOPS EVMEND
REFERENCE: DIRECTOR 26288

1. ON 21 AUGUST, IDEN, WODISH NEW YORK REP WHO HANDLES
LOUIS A. BRUN, SUBJECT OF REF, PHONED WODISH WASHINGTON
OFFICE TO INQUIRE IF EVMEND-1 OR THE EVMEND ORGANIZATION
WAS OF INTEREST TO RVROCK. BASIS FOR INQUIRY IS THAT BRUN
HAS REPEATEDLY MENTIONED TO IDEN THAT EVMEND-1 AND HIS
ORGANIZATION ARE DEEPLY INVOLVED IN EXILE WORK IN NEW YORK
AND THAT BRUN SUSPECTS THEY HAVE SOME CONNECTION WITH
RVROCK. WODISH REPS SPECULATE THAT BRUN SEEKING CON-
FIRMATION OF RVROCK CONNECTION AND THAT BRUN MAY TRY
PENETRATE EVMEND ORGANIZATION.

2. WODISH WASHINGTON REP WAS INFORMED THAT EVMEND-1
AND HIS ORGANIZATION ARE OF INTEREST TO WOMACE AND THAT
IDEN SHOULD REFRAIN FROM MAKING ANY CONTACT WHATSOEVER
WITH THEM. WODISH AGREED PASS ABOVE TO IDEN AND SUGGEST
WODISH RELATIONS WITH BRUN BE DISCONTINUED.

3. IN VIEW ABOVE, REQUEST CLELAND TELL EVMEND-1
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DROP ANY CONTACT HE MAY HAVE WITH BRUN, SINCE BRUN SUSPECTS
HE CONNECTED WITH RVROCK AND MAY BE TRYING CONFIRM.

4. FILE: 36-124-25/3.

END OF MESSAGE

WH COMMENT: * BRUN, who collaborator of Clemand Joseph CHARLES on political matters in Haiti, is contact of WODISH, N.Y. office.



WALTER O'BRIEN
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Domestic Contact Service

SUBJECT : DCS Case 47540 - Contact with
Louis A. Brun/Clemard Joseph Charles

1. On 29 July 1969, Station Port au Prince advised that Clemard Joseph Charles had passed a list of nine questions concerning the Haitian economy to an official of the United States Embassy in Port au Prince. The list of questions was written in English in standard U.S. Government format and, although sterile, appeared to be intelligence requirements. Charles told the Embassy official that he had just finished a "big job" for the Pentagon and implied that the list also came from the Pentagon. The Embassy official suspected that Charles had passed a copy of the list to the National Palace.

2. On 2 August, a representative of the WH/Haiti Desk contacted Mr. George Musulin, Operational Support Staff of DCS, and learned that the DCS office in New York had briefed Mr. Louis A. Brun and had orally passed a list of CIKL requirements to Brun concerning Haiti prior to his trip to Haiti during the week of 21 July. Mr. Musulin speculated that Brun had probably noted the DCS requirements on paper and then had passed a copy to Charles upon his arrival in Haiti.

3. For a number of years, the United States Government has been aware of the political ambitions of Charles and his alleged plotting to overthrow the Duvalier regime. In 1967, this rather open plotting led to his imprisonment for over one year. Also, since May 1963, Charles has been trying to obtain support from the United States Government for his plots but he has been consistently rebuffed. Charles is not held in high esteem by U.S. officials and his motives are highly questionable. He owes his position in Haiti to his relationship with Duvalier and his ability to successfully manage some of

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the more notorious financial rackets of the regime. Charles enjoys no political following and even the "plots" with which he is associated are viewed with considerable reserve. For example, we have never been able to confirm that Charles was involved with the "military junta" formed in May 1969, as he claimed. In February 1969, the U.S. Embassy in Port au Prince commented that, with regard to the most recent plotting of Charles, "the possibility cannot be excluded that Charles....could be a provocation to determine the real motives of the United States Government towards the Duvalier regime." We concur in the Embassy's view.

4. During the past three years, the WH Division has been kept advised of the contact between DCS and Brun and his relationship with Charles. We are also aware from DCS and other sources of the efforts by Brun to obtain support from the United States Government for Charles. Brun is, of course, a close collaborator of Charles and a business representative of his in New York City. Brun has contacted officials of the Department of Defense, the Department of State, and even a person with access to President Johnson on Charles' behalf. The Chief of Caribbean Affairs of the Department of State categorically told Brun in June 1967 that the United States Government was not interested in supporting the plots of Charles or anyone else against Duvalier, but this advice seems to have fallen on deaf ears. The most recent example of Brun's lobbying was in May 1969 when Brun passed on to DCS a request from Charles for a secret meeting between a U.S. envoy and a representative of the "military junta." Brun's involvement with Charles requires that he be considered a biased source of information. While some of the information Brun has obtained from Charles has been of interest, there is hardly anything that was not available through other channels and indeed, much of it was slanted.

5. As was set forth in WH/7 memoranda to the Operational Support Staff, DCS, on 16 July 1968 and 26 May 1969, we interpose no objection to DCS maintaining contact with Brun for its own purposes. However, the

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Enclosure: John R. Norton

John R. Norton
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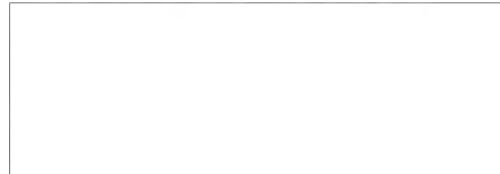
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<p>REFERENCES: A. DIRECTOR 26288 dated 1 August 1969</p> <p>B. HTPA-2443 dated 29 July 1969</p>			
<p>ACTION REQUIRED: See Paragraph 5.</p> <p>1. The Station would like to offer its views on the WODISH contact, through Identity of Paragraph 1 Reference A (hereinafter IDEN), with 201-357029, as well as on the question of the requirements which 201-357029 gave LNPURE and which were forwarded to Headquarters in Reference B.</p> <p>2. Since IDEN has been told that his contact is with LESHOE and since he has told 201-357029 that fact, and since 201-357029 has apparently, in his mind at least, converted that fact into contact with RVROCK, and has probably spread both stories with his associates and thereby throughout the local milieu, we have, in effect, a dangerous security situation. When we consider that the LNPURE receives all the information that 201-357029 gives IDEN anyway, and most of the time receives the information directly from 201-357029, then we have an operation that is difficult to justify.</p> <p>3. In the case of the requirements forwarded with Reference B, we have a situation in which WODISH levied requirements on 201-357029, through IDEN. 201-357029 then turned those requirements over to LNPURE which returned them via 201-357029 and IDEN to WODISH. Why not cut out the middleman and the security complications, and save the headaches?</p> <p>4. The Station feels that the WODISH handling of 201-357029 results in a case that has the potential of causing severe problems for AKULE, and that it could well be that AKULE will be made to bear the blame since elements within RVROCK might feel that the ultimate responsibility for supervision of the case lies with AKULE.</p>			
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5. We would appreciate obtaining Headquarters' views on our thoughts as expressed above as well as on what seems to be a contradiction between Reference A, paragraph 2 and the evidence presented in Reference B Attachment. It appears unlikely to us that IDEN could have typed the Attachment.



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FROM AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES OF CLEMARD
JOSEPH CHARLES

Aug 4, 69

MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Domestic Contact Service
SUBJECT : DCS Case 47540 - Contact with Louis A. Brun/Clemard Joseph Charles

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William V. Broe
Chief
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REF: PORT AU PRINCE 6323 (IN 12581)*

1. PER REF REQUEST, ONE LUIS BRUN, WELL KNOWN COLLABORATOR OF SUBJECT REF ON POLITICAL MATTERS IN HAITI, IS CONTACT OF WODISH OFFICE, NEW YORK. PRIOR TO BRUN'S TRIP TO HAITI, WEEK OF 21 JULY, WODISH BRIEFED BRUN AND ORALLY PASSED LIST OF CIRL REQUIREMENTS ON HAITI. FYI, BRUN BELIEVES WODISH CONTACT IS FROM DEFENSE AND THAT REQUIREMENTS LEVIED BY DOD.

2. IT WODISH BELIEF THAT BRUN PROBABLY NOTED REQUIREMENTS ON PAPER FOLLOWING BRIEFING, AND PASSED COPY TO SUBJECT REF UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN HAITI.

3. FYI, SUBJECT REF WAS REGISTERED IN INTERAGENCY SOURCE REGISTER UNTIL 17 MARCH 69, WHEN ACSI TERMINATED HIM, WITHOUT PREJUDICE. SUBJECT WELL KNOWN FOR HIS REPEATED ATTEMPTS OBTAIN USG BACKING FOR HIS [REDACTED] PLANS TO [REDACTED] OVERTHROW DUVALIER.

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4. WODISH BRIEFED ON CONTENTS REF AND PROMISED TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION.

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*WH Comment: Clemond Joseph CHARLES passed list of questions to EXHOFF re Haitian economy. Advised Emb. he had finished "big job" for Pentagon. Advise if list of WOFIRM origin.

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1. CLEMARD JOSEPH CHARLES PASSED TO EMBOFF COPY OF LIST OF 9 QUESTIONS WRITTEN IN ENGLISH DEALING WITH HAITIAN ECONOMY. MENTIONED HE HAD JUST FINISHED "BIG JOB" FOR PENTAGON AND IMPLIED LIST ALSO CAME FROM PENTAGON. ALTHOUGH STERILE, QUESTIONS WRITTEN IN STANDARD GOVERNMENT FORMAT AND APPEAR TO BE INTEL REQUIREMENTS.

2. STATION POUCHING LIST TO HQS ONLY PER MTPA 2443 DTD 29 JULY SINCE CANNOT DUPLICATE LOCALLY. WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING IF LIST IS OF WOFIRM ORIGIN. FYI EMBOFF SUSPECTS CHARLES HAS PASSED LIST AT PALACE AND STATION THEREFORE FEELS SECURITY ASPECTS RE HANDLING CHARLES BY ANY USG AGENCY SHOULD BE REVIEWED. SINCE CHARLES HAD PASSED LIST TO EMBASSY FOR ANSWERING OF QUESTIONS, IT WOULD APPEAR "INTELLIGENCE" COULD HAVE BEEN OVERTLY OBTAINED.

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REFERENCE: Port au Prince 6323 dated 29 July 1969.

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US manufacturers are setting up subsidiary companies in Haiti or are forming partnerships with Haitian enterprises to produce such items as underwear, baseballs, footwear and other export items. They use Haitian facilities and materials imported from the US.

1. What specific companies are involved in producing these goods, and are they completely owned by Haitians (US) or are they in partnership with US companies?
2. Are there prospects that other companies are entering the field (using Haitian enterprises to produce goods from imported US materials)?
3. Will these enterprises expand? How important would it be to Haiti if these enterprises expanded? discontinued production?
4. What articles are produced?
5. What materials are imported to produce the final product? What percentage of the imported materials are part of the finished product?
6. Give the figures on the value of the imported goods vs. the value of the export goods to gain Haitian profit figures.
7. How do the domestic producers and the US importers feel about operating under President Duvalier? Are there any difficulties? Have investment conditions in Haiti changed since these enterprises began operating?
8. Does the Haitian workers' lack of education affect their training?
9. How effective is the Haitian social security system? Do US importers contribute to the social security fund?

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28 May 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR : Director, Domestic Contact Service
Operational Support Staff

ATTENTION : Mr. George S. Masulin

SUBJECT : DCS Case 47540 - Request by Haitian
Opposition Group for Secret Interview
with U.S. Official

1. This memorandum will serve to confirm the telephone conversations between your office and the Chief of the Haiti Desk on 15 and 27 May 1969 concerning the request made through Mr. Louis A. Brun on the above subject. During these conversations, your office was advised that the WH Division has no interest in contacting any representative or member of the plotting group.

2. The WH Division considers Cleward Joseph Charles to be a perennial anti-Duvalier plotter in Port au Prince with little means or following to carry out his anti-government designs. During the week of 11 May 1969, Charles approached the Embassy in Port au Prince with basically the same information as relayed to the DCS office in New York by Mr. Brun. The only difference was that he did not request that a U.S. Government official make contact with the internal group, but rather that the Embassy provide some assurance that the U.S. Government would look benevolently on the group once the coup was launched. The Embassy replied that the U.S. Government had a firm policy not to intervene in such matters and that no such assurance could be expected.

3. Since 1967, Charles has made similar overtures to the U.S. Government for support of his anti-government plans. When reviewing these approaches, there has always been some doubt as to the accuracy of the information that Charles (or Brun) has furnished. While it was accepted that Charles was actually plotting against Duvalier, it could never be determined if he was actually a member of the plotting group, which usually included members of the Haitian Army, or if Charles had simply become aware of an anti-Duvalier plot and was trying to act as a broker between the plotters and the

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U.S. Government for his own interests.

4. At the present time, fairly reliable reports have been received that certain officials of the Haitian Army are trying to form a junta to take power in the event Duvalier dies. Some members of this junta are reportedly anxious to overthrow Duvalier, should he recover, but so far have not established a timetable or decided how they intend to carry out the coup. Also, the illness of Duvalier has undoubtedly inspired anti-Duvalier plotting by other groups in Haiti but no reliable information is available on their plans. It is interesting to note that Cleopatra Joseph Charles is not identified as a plotter in any of the reports from internal sources.

5. As was mentioned in the WH/7 memorandum dated 16 July 1968, we do not interpose any objection to DCB maintaining contact with Bran for its own purposes. However, we feel that in the interests of security and also in conformance with U.S. policy, that Bran should clearly understand that we have no interest in establishing contact with any member of the internal group through his channel and further that the U.S. Government has no interest in becoming involved in any anti-Duvalier activities.

Charles B. Dickens
AC/WH/7

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Sherry Stinson.

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REQUEST REQUEST BY HAITIAN OPERATION GROUP FOR SECRET INTERVIEW
WITH US OFFICIAL

REFERENCE: S E C R E T T/A/EQUITY REQUEST 4/22/1968-69

SUR SOURCE RECEIVED A TELEGRAM FROM FRIEND MENTIONED IN
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TRANSACTION BE SET IN MOTION. SOURCE HAS ALREADY EXPLAINED TO
REFERENCE REQUESTERS THAT HE IS NOTHING BUT A CHANNEL. HE
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Yours

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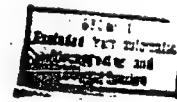
1. CLEMENT JOSEPH CHARLES, WHO HAS STATED ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS THAT HE WILL BE THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF HAITI AND WHO HAS GATHERED AROUND HIMSELF A PERSONAL FOLLOWING OF INDIVIDUALS COVERTLY OPPOSED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT DIVALIER /COLLECTOR'S NOTES SEE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], HAS NOW DECLARED THAT ACTION AGAINST HAITI'S PRESIDENT IS IMPREATIVE AND THAT DIVALIER'S OVERTHROW MUST AND CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE 1969. HE HAS SET A 1 JULY 1969 DEADLINE FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF HIS GOAL. CHARLES HAS ALSO STATED THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE BECAUSE OTHER OPPOSITION GROUPS /COLLECTOR'S NOTES PRESUMABLY, HE REFERS TO ONE OR MORE OF THOSE GROUPS LISTED IN [REDACTED] MAY TRY TO ACT BEFORE HE CAN. CHARLES LISTS NO REASON FOR THE SPECIFIC TIME LIMIT OF 1 JULY 1969.

2. CHARLES HAS REQUESTED THAT "THE PENTAGON" (SPECIFICALLY, HIS FORMER INTERMEDIARY, COLONEL HOWARD BURRIS) DISPATCH A SECRET ENVOY TO TALK TO HIM. HE LAYS DOWN NO MODUS OPERANDI FOR THE ENVOY AND PRESUMABLY WILL TALK TO HIM IN PORT-AU-PRINCE. THIS REQUEST HAS BEEN LABELED "URGENT".

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REPORT CLASSIFICATION: SECRET//TRANSITIVE

REFERENCES: NONE

COUNTRY: HAITI

SUBJECT: REQUEST BY HAITIAN OPPPOSITION GROUP FOR SECRET INTERVIEW
WITH US OFFICIAL

1. ONE OF THE UNDERGROUND OPPPOSITION GROUPS IN HAITI IS CENTERED IN THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: PHIL LAVENS RPT LAVENS (FORMER DEPUTY, NOW IN SEMI-HIDING); COLONEL WESTOVER BLAIN RPT BLAIN (HEAD OF ARMY QUARTERMASTER WAREHOUSE); COLONEL CAYARD RPT CAYARD (HEAD OF THE COAST GUARD); SNU CONSTANT RPT CONSTANT (C IEF OF STAFF). THEY WISH TO ORGANIZE A JUNTA, FOLLOWING THE DEATH OR RETIREMENT OF HAITIAN PRESIDENT DIVALIER, AND EXERCISE POWER DURING A TRANSITION PERIOD. FOLLOWING THE TRANSITION PERIOD, THIS GROUP WISHES TO HAVE FREE ELECTIONS AND THEN RETIRE FROM POLITICAL ACTIVITY. LAVENS WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MINISTER. BLAIN WOULD LIKE A DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT. CAYARD WOULD LIKE TO RETIRE TO HIS CATTLE RANCH. THE GROUP HAS NO PARTICULAR CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.

2. THIS GROUP ALLEGES THAT IT COMMANDS WIDE SUPPORT AMONG ARMY PERSONNEL IN PORT-AU-PRINCE AND IN THE HAITIAN HINTERLAND. THE GROUP IS REPORTEDLY WILLING TO WORK WITH ANY OTHER OPPPOSITION GROUP, EXCEPT THE COMMUNISTS BUT IT DOES NOT WANT TO APPEAR PUBLICLY BEHOLDEN TO THE US OR TO ANY OTHER NON-HAITIAN POWER.

3. UNTIL RECENTLY, THE PLAN OF THIS GROUP WAS TO SIT BACK, WAIT FOR INTERNAL UPHEAVALS AND THEN MOVE IN TO ASSUME POWER. THEY DID NOT WANT TO ACT ON THEIR OWN, BUT PREFERRED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF

AN INTERNAL UPHEAVAL CREATED BY SOMEBODY ELSE.

4. THE MOST RECENT FOMORS CONCERNING PRESIDENT DUVALIER'S HEALTH HAVE, HOWEVER, CAUSED THE GROUP TO CHANGE ITS MIND. THE MEMBERS NOW DECLARE THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE AND THAT AS SOON AS PRESIDENT DUVALIER "GOES ON THE OPERATING TABLE" THEY WILL MOVE.

5. THE GROUP RECOGNIZES, HOWEVER, THAT CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES LIE IN ITS PATH AND IS MOST ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS THE ENTIRE MATTER IN SECRET WITH A US ENVOY. WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY TO THIS ENVOY IS NOT KNOWN.

6. THE GROUP HAS ORGANIZED THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE FOR THE ENVOY TO FOLLOW. FIRST, HE MUST SEND A CABLE TO THE FOLLOWING CABLE ADDRESS: ETSLAVAS, PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI. THE CABLE MUST READ AS FOLLOWS: "ARRIVING ON CLIST DATED TO DISCUSS SISAL DEAL. PLEASE RESERVE A ROOM FOR ME AT THE SANS SOUCI HOTEL." THE NAME SIGNED TO THE CABLE DOES NOT MATTER. THE CABLE ADDRESS IS THAT OF ESTABLISSEMENTS PLAHENS-PLAIN & CO., PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI. SECOND, HE MUST REGISTER AT THE SANS SOUCI AND AWAIT A CALL OR VISIT FROM A MAN NAMED EDGARD BONI (RPT BONI). BONI IS KESTNER PLAIN'S BROTHER. THE ORIGINAL FAMILY NAME IS "BONI"; PLAIN CHANGED HIS NAME. BONI WILL EITHER TAKE THE ENVOY TO TALK TO CONSTANT OR WILL INFORM HIM OF ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR THE INTERVIEW. THE ONLY PERSONS PRESENT AT THE INTERVIEW WILL BE CONSTANT AND THE ENVOY. THIRD, WHEN THE ENVOY MEETS CONSTANT HE MUST ESTABLISH HIS BONA FIDES RPT BONA FIDES BY SAYING: "I HAVE BEEN SENT BY MR. EISENHOWER TO DISCUSS SISAL". THE KEY WORD IS "EISENHOWER".

7. IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE, BUT NOT MANDATORY, IF THE SECRET US

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ENVY WAS ABLE TO SPEAK FRENCH.

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REPORT NO.

SUBJECT

Reported Final Terms for Award of
Gambling Concession/Clement
Joseph-Charles' Involvement

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Comment to:

1. As part of his effort to obtain foreign exchange, Haiti's President Duvalier has decided to award a gambling concession. A US syndicate, consisting of a New York City firm, Keynote Associates, and of Count Michel Levitch, Bishop of the American Orthodox Church, has been trying to obtain the concession. [Collector's Note: see reference for additional details.]
2. The Bishop has severed his connections with Keynote, which bombarded President Duvalier with telegrams and made an unannounced trip to Haiti to obtain the concession.
3. [However] , Keynote received a telegram from Antonie Andre, Director of the Bank of the Republic of Haiti. This message informed them that they would not receive the concession. President Duvalier relies very heavily upon Andre for advice and guidance in economic matters.
4. Almost at the same time that Keynote received Andre's telegram, Clement Joseph-Charles notified the Bishop that he would receive the concession on the following terms:
 - a. A new group of associates of the Bishop will receive 80 percent of the gross receipts from the concession.
 - b. The Government of Haiti will receive 10 percent of the gross receipts.
 - c. The Bishop and his chief partner will receive five percent of the gross receipts.

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4. The remaining five percent of the gross receipts will be used by the Bishop, reportedly under Haitian supervision, to begin construction of schools and child care centers in Haiti. These schools and centers will be under the auspices of the American Orthodox Church.
5. Joseph-Charles's authorship of the telegram which virtually promised the concession to the new group indicates that his fortunes may be on the mend. He certainly could never have sent such a message without the approval of President Duvalier. That he was permitted to send it indicates that the President may be beginning to look upon him more favorably than he has done in the recent past.

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1. During recent weeks, the fortunes of Clemand Joseph-Charles seem to have improved. He has been playing a not unimportant role in the award of the Haitian gambling concession [Collector's Note: see reference], an activity which is designed to bring to Haiti some badly-needed foreign exchange. Although I do not believe that he sees President Duvalier as frequently as he used to prior to his incarceration, he does seem to have recovered some of the confidence which the President used to repose in him.
2. One reason for President Duvalier's dislike of Charles (and one possible reason why the President eventually threw him in jail) is that Charles was instrumental in bringing about the marriage of the President's daughter, Marie-Denise Duvalier, to Colonel Max Dominique. Charles and Marie-Denise have been close friends for many years. Marie-Denise became pregnant by Dominique and went to Charles for help. Charles then intervened with President Duvalier, who was furious, and persuaded him to agree to the marriage. The President was bitterly angry at Dominique and somewhat unjustly blamed Charles for the marriage. He agreed to the necessity for the wedding, but resented his new son-in-law and, by association, so to speak, resented Charles. The President and Dominique have formally reconciled. The President met Colonel Dominique at the airport, when the latter returned to Haiti, and made a point of inviting his son-in-law to ride in the presidential limousine from the airport to the palace. The purpose was to demonstrate the burial of old grudges. It remains to be seen, however, whether or not the reconciliation was genuine and whether or not the President has really forgiven his son-in-law.

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3. Luc-Albert Foucard, Haitian Minister of Tourism, is now in political, if not personal, eclipse. He no longer goes to his office. The New York City manager of the Haitian Tourist Bureau, Jean Sorel, is in Haiti and is acting in Foucard's stead. Razah Theodore, Deputy Director of Tourism, is amiable and is a friend of President Duvalier. He is, however, of little stature and is not capable of doing anything more than the routine daily chores of the office. Foucard cannot afford to call attention to himself, because he is fearful for the physical safety of his sister, Madame Saint-Victor. President Duvalier recently dismissed her as his personal secretary and replaced her with his daughter, wife of Colonel Max Dominique. Since then, rumors have abounded that Madame Saint-Victor may be marked for physical liquidation [Collector's Note: see reference]. Whether or not these rumors have any foundation in fact, there is no doubt that the members of the Foucard family (i.e., Luc-Albert, Madame Saint-Victor and their sister, Madame Bella Foucard Poitien) have all made themselves as inconspicuous as possible. The President's change in secretaries has led to a diminution of the power and influence of the Foucard clan.

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DEPT OF STATE AIRGRAM A-14
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Letters from Clemond Charles, Haiti, to US Officials and Businessmen

FROM: Daniel J. Shine for GSNusulin/js
DCS/Operational Support Staff
900 Key Building

EXTENSION

NO. DCS Case 47540

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, Domestic Contact Service
 Attn :
 FROM : Chief, Philadelphia Office

PHL-457-66
DATE: 24 December 1968

SUBJECT: Letters From Clemand Charles, Haiti, to US Officials and Businessmen

Ref :

1. Attached for your information are letters from Clemand Joseph Charles addressed to Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey and President-elect Richard Nixon. These letters were received in person from Charles, in Haiti, by Donald E. Rowe, source of reference, and brought to the US by the latter. The letters have not been delivered as of this date. Rowe plans to ask the New Jersey Third District Member of the US House of Representatives to deliver them.

2. In addition to the correspondence referred to above, Rowe also received letters of introduction from Charles to:

Howard L. Burris (believed to be a lawyer)
 Suite 101, RCA Building
 1725 K. Street, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20006

Mr. A. H. Incledon, Vice President
 J. G. White Engineering Corp.
 80 Broad Street
 New York, N. Y. 10004

Monsieur Albert J. Krieger (believed to be an
 accountant and business acquaintance of Charles)
 401 Broadway
 New York, N. Y. 10013

Mr. Herman Albert Miller (an accountant)
 230 W. 41st Street
 New York, N. Y. 10036

Mr. N. V. Rosello (an old friend and very
 reliable acquaintance of Charles)
 Export Credit Western Hemisphere Corp.
 477 Madison Avenue
 New York, N. Y. 10022

The addressees are individuals from whom Charles is seeking financial assistance.

JAY B. L. REEVES

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Attachments

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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MANIFESTE COMMUNIQUE PAR LE GOUVERNEMENT D'HAÏTI

Le President

Port-au-Prince, le 8 Novembre 1963

Excellence,

Vous n'ignorerez pas l'intérêt avec lequel j'ai suivi les étapes de la campagne électorale qui devait aboutir au triomphe de votre Compagnon Républicain aux élections présidentielles américaines.

Vous le savez, à n'en pas douter, que j'ai souhaité de tout cœur votre propre triomphe. Je le croyais irrésistible.

Tous avez fait de votre mieux, mais Vous avez perdu.

Que pourrions faire? Les sages content qu'il y a quelque chose qu'on ne peut échapper par des mots ou des votes - une ceinture qui enserre le monde.

"Tout ce qui a été décidé arrivera. La volonté infinie et supérieure de Dieu ne peut pas être transgessée."

Certes, pour atteindre l'objet de vos aspirations, Vous Vous êtes heurté à des bornes immuables. Vous Vous êtes enflammé de l'espoir de bousculer les faits et les hommes.

Après maintes expériences Vous croyez que depuis le départ la victoire constitue pratiquement une garantie, et qu'il fallait commencer plus tôt; c'est, dire que le monde est régi par des lois.

Maintenant que le rideau est tiré, je prends plaisir à formuler des voeux pour que ce matin le intac le courage magnifique dont Vous avez fait preuve tout au long de votre campagne électorale.

Je sais, pour répétir le Président JOHNSON, que "Vous continuerez à servir l'Amérique aussi longtemps que Vous vivrez".

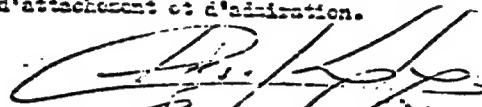
LEAGUE COMMERCIALE D'HAITI

Le President

Annexe 1

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Je Vous prie, Excellence, de recevoir
l'expression de nos hommages respectueux, et en
même temps Vous assurer de nos sentiments infa-
fotables d'attachement et d'admiration.



CJC/pal

Clemand JOSEPH CHARLES, P.I.B.A.

SOC EXCELLENCE
L'HONORABLE JOSEPH H. MCGREARY
VICE-PRESIDENT DES ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

BANQUE COMMERCIALE D'HAITI

Le President

Port-au-Prince, le 8 Novembre 1963

Monseigneur le Président Élu,

J'ai suivi, comme tous les Nations d'ailleurs, les élections présidentielles américaines qui constituent toujours un événement international de première importance.

En effet, le monde entier a enregistré les différentes phases de la campagne électorale qui devait aboutir à Votre élection à la Présidence des Etats-Unis d'Amérique.

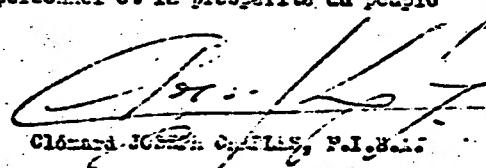
Un vent de renouveau souffle sur l'Amérique consciente de sa force et de son rayonnement dans le monde.

Vous jouissez, Monseigneur le Président Élu, d'un prestige incontesté.

Je suis donc certain que, sous Votre Administration, les Etats-Unis d'Amérique, avec le prestige que lui donnent Son passé incomparable et Ses grandes ressources tant humaines qu'économiques, sauront remplir sa vocation de Leadership du monde libre et Sa place de premier plan parmi les autres Nations du Globe qui souhaitent ardemment après un monde pacifique et plus humain.

C'est le souhait que je forme à l'occasion de Votre Gracieux aux élections présidentielles américaines.

Je vous prie de recevoir, Monseigneur le Président Élu, mes vœux sincères pour Votre Bonheur personnel et la prospérité du peuple Américain.


 Clément Joseph Charles, P.J., Sec.

MONSIEUR RICHARD NIXON
PRÉTENDANT DES ETATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
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